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Telmo Snap Beans, 3 cans for	<b>50c</b>
Telmo Lima Beans, 3 cans for	<b>50c</b>
Magnet Corn, 3 cans for	<b>25c</b>
Magnet Tomatoes, 3 cans for	<b>25c</b>
Holland Brand Peas, 2 cans for	<b>25c</b>
Holland Brand Beans, 2 cans for	<b>25c</b>

Shipment new crop Prunes just received. We will  
appreciate your orders.

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## THOUSANDS SICK IN BED

Pittsburg Is In the M'dst of a  
Mighty Epidemic.

### GRIPPE LEADING AILMENT

Virtually Every Family In the City Has  
One or More Members Ill, and the  
Scarcity of Help Is Proving to Be a  
Serious Problem.

Pittsburg, Dec. 28.—What is said to  
be the worst epidemic of sickness since  
1889 is being experienced at Pittsburg.  
Physicians estimate thousands of per-  
sons are prostrated by pneumonia,  
typhoid fever and especially grippe  
throughout the city. Probably every  
home is affected in some manner, and  
the scarcity of employes in large office  
buildings is seriously felt. The Pitts-  
burg Railway company is having diffi-  
culty in manning its cars on account  
of conductors and motormen being  
laid up with grippe.

City Physician Booth says the pres-  
ent epidemic of grippe exceeds in  
scope and severity all but that of 1889  
—the worst in Pittsburg's history—and  
may yet break the record. He con-  
siders it contagious, and believes the  
germs of the disease may have origi-  
nated far from here. Dr. Booth says  
people affected do not give up quickly  
enough and go to bed.

### IS AT HOME.

Father of Helen Maloney, Through a  
Friend, Issues a Statement.

Philadelphia, Dec. 28.—Martin Ma-  
loney, by a personal friend, issued the  
following statement bearing on the af-  
fairs of Helen Maloney, or Mrs. Her-  
bert Osborne, who caused a sensation  
by eloping with Samuel Clarkson, a  
young Englishman, three months ago,  
after having married young Osborne  
who, at the time, was a Princeton stu-  
dent.

"Mr. Martin Maloney's daughter,  
Helen, is with him at the city resi-  
dence in West Logan Square. Beyond  
saying that the rumors about the pre-  
carious condition of his daughter's  
health are unfounded, neither Mr. Ma-  
loney nor any members of his family  
has anything to say for publication.  
No other statement or information will  
be given out by the Maloney family,  
either now or in the future."

### MAY BE IN LOUISIANA.

It Is Thought Floretta Whaley Is at  
Emaden.

New York, Dec. 28.—That Floretta  
Whaley, the girl who eloped last April  
with Rev. Jere K. Cooke, then pastor  
of St. George's Episcopal church, may  
now be in Louisiana is indicated in  
a letter received by Samuel T. Wright,  
chief clerk of the Messau county sur-  
rogate's court. The letter is dated  
Emsden, La., and is signed by V. O. Jones.  
It states that a girl about seventeen  
or eighteen years of age, who gave the  
name of Floretta Whaley, was brought  
to his home last April by a man named  
Cooke. He said the girl was his  
stepchild; that her mother was dead  
and that he was no longer able to care  
for her, the writer of the letter de-  
clared.

### HEARD MANY MILES.

Gun Fire at Fort Morgan Rattled Win-  
dows and Shook Houses.

Mobile, Dec. 28.—The investigation  
of big gun fire at Fort Morgan, Ala.,  
rattled windows and slightly shook  
houses eighty miles away on the coast  
of south Mississippi. Four towns ex-  
tending across the entire width of  
southern Mississippi from Pass Chris-  
tian to Pass Cagoula felt the tremors  
at about the same time. At this city,  
which is thirty miles from the fort,  
the gun fire was also felt. Unusual  
atmospheric conditions prevailed, the  
air being very warm and so damp that  
moisture collected in drops on station-  
ary objects.

### MUST CALL LEGISLATURE.

If Not Done In Five Days Soldiers to  
Be Withdrawn.

Washington, Dec. 28.—President  
Roosevelt telegraphed to Governor  
Sparks of Nevada that if the governor  
within five days issues a call for a  
special session of the legislature he  
will continue the troops at Goldfield  
during a period of three weeks. If  
with five days the call has not been  
issued the troops will be withdrawn.

### Noted Trotting Mare Sold.

Boston, Dec. 28.—John Splan of  
Lexington, Ky., bought from Miss Lot-  
ta Crabtree the black trotting mare,  
"Lotta," which won many races for  
the Crabtree stables last year, and car-  
ries a record of 2:03 1-4. Mr. Splan  
bought the mare to take to Europe  
for next season's races.

### Paying Teller Arrested.

Philadelphia, Dec. 28.—James Simp-  
son, paying teller of the Farmer's Na-  
tional bank, has been arrested on a  
warrant charging him with the embe-  
zlement of \$44,000. Simpson entered  
the employ of the bank when but four-  
teen years of age.

## STIMSON HAS BEEN TOLD

In Legal Papers That Govern-  
ment Is Sued

### BY A DISCHARGED SOLDIER

Aftermath of the Brownsville Affair Is  
Developed by the Action of John Reid  
In Demanding Pay Up to Time His  
Enlistment Ended.

New York, Dec. 28.—United States  
District Attorney Henry D. Stimson  
said that he had been served with pa-  
pers filed in the United States district  
court by counsel for Oscar W. Reid, a  
member of the battalion of the Twen-  
ty-fifth Infantry, which was disbanded  
by executive order following the riot-  
ing at Brownsville. The plaintiff sues  
the government to recover pay lost  
through his discharge from the army,  
but the attorneys have admitted that  
they were retained by "wealthy gen-  
tlemen of New England," whose real  
object is to determine the legality of  
the president's action. Mr. Stimson  
said that he had as yet given the com-  
plaint only a cursory examination, but  
that he did not think there was any  
evidence that President Roosevelt had  
violated his constitutional rights in  
discharging the negro soldiers "with-  
out honor."

The district attorney added that he  
had not decided what he would do in  
the matter. He might, he thought, de-  
mure to the complaint or possibly waive  
that right, and if he was convinced  
that he was right in accepting service  
of the papers, try the case upon its  
merits.

Charles E. Mellen of counsel for the  
plaintiff said: "I am not at liberty  
to tell who the gentlemen back of this  
action are. They will disclose their  
identity at the proper time. They are  
all men of national prominence. They  
banded together in an informal orga-  
nization for the purpose of seeing the  
poor individual received the rights  
guaranteed them by the constitution  
of the United States. They selected the  
case of Reid, because his dismissal  
appeared to them to be a flagrant case  
of violation of the constitution. These  
gentlemen are withholding their names  
at present because they do not want  
the public to attach any political sig-  
nificance to their action."

The amount Reid sues for is \$123-  
26, which he claims from the date of  
his discharge, Nov. 9, 1906, to the date  
of the termination of his enlistment,  
July 18, 1907.

### All but Slate Explored.

Jacob's Creek, Pa., Dec. 28.—All the  
Darr mine has been explored except  
where the slate fell. Number of bodies  
recovered up to noon Saturday were  
220. It is thought fifty are under the  
slate.

### Transferred to Panama.

Indianapolis, Dec. 28.—Major J. G.  
Galley, head of the Salvation Army  
in Indiana, goes to Panama.

### FIRE LAST NIGHT.

About 9 o'clock last night the home  
of Mr. and Mrs. Luther Taylor, near  
the East Side Public School building,  
was destroyed by fire. Mr. and Mrs.  
Taylor had just left home and come  
down town a short time before the fire  
which evidently originated in the  
kitchen, as there had been no fire any-  
where else in the house. The flames  
were well under headway when dis-  
covered and beyond the possibility of  
saving the property when the alarm  
was given and the firemen responded.  
The house and most of the contents  
was a total loss. The piano and a few  
other articles were carried out by  
those on the grounds, some of them  
having their hands and faces blistered  
by the extreme heat. The home of  
Rob Roberts was also seriously  
threatened for a time, but prompt  
work kept it in check until the fire be-  
gan to subside.

The loss of Mr. and Mrs. Taylor in-  
cludes many valuables, and things  
which were highly prized and cannot  
be replaced.

The cottage was the property of  
Mrs. Nellie Ballard and the loss on it  
is estimated at \$1500.00 with \$1000.00  
insurance. The Eagle was unable to  
obtain an estimate of Mr. Taylor's loss  
last night.

Later—Mr. Taylor estimates his  
loss at a thousand or twelve hun-  
dred dollars, and has \$500.00 insur-  
ance.

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ness, pair of mules and mare. Apply  
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Sunday afternoon and for Miss  
Helen Grantly New Year's night  
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Store. 18

We are selling out at cost our en-  
tire stock of fireworks. Cavitt's drug  
store. 18

## REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE

# City National Bank

At Bryan in the State of Texas, at the  
close of business, Dec. 3, 1907.

### RECAPITULATION

## RESOURCES

Loans and Discounts.....	\$261,480.22
Overdrafts.....	1,038.67
United States Bonds and Premiums.....	104,000.00
Bonds, Securities, &c.....	6,382.50
Furniture and Fixtures.....	2,626.00
Cash and Exchange.....	151,130.88
	<b>\$526,658.27</b>

## LIABILITIES

Capital Stock.....	50,000.00
Surplus and Profits (net).....	80,527.73
National Bank Notes Outstanding.....	50,000.00
Deposits.....	296,130.54
U. S. Deposit.....	50,000.00
Rediscounts.....	None
Bills Payable.....	None
	<b>\$526,658.27</b>

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E. H. ASTIN.....	Vice-President
A. W. WILKERSON.....	Cashier
E. W. CRENSHAW.....	Ass't Cashier

1907

1908

## THANK YOU

I desire to thank my friends for a very successful  
year, notwithstanding the fact a part of the year has  
been characterized by very serious financial depression.  
I desire to extend to each and every one my best  
wishes for a joyous Christmas and happy New Year.

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Balcony.....	.50	Balcony Reserved.....	.75
		Bal. Balcony.....	.50



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**BRYAN'S WELCOME TO BRYAN.**

(By Joseph Malcolm Carnes.)

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Since you have wreathed it with the laurel crown,

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Thrice welcome, best-beloved, most honored guest!

Your presence is a helpful inspiration,

Fanning aflame in every patriot's breast

The smouldering fire of love for our great nation.

With hopeful hearts we follow your career

Of battles with gigantic foes, entrenched

In titan strongholds; yet no shade of fear

Has dimmed your courage; you have never blenched;

Though baffled oft, each time your clarion voice

Has saved democracy from base retreat,

And rallying 'round the leader of their choice,

Her hosts grow stronger after each defeat.

Without insignia of rank or power,

You are the greatest general of the age,

Commanding soldiers true and tried—the flower

Of this great nation's manhood; history's page

Tells of no greater leader; your baton

Is not the sword; your bloodless onward march

Extends the realms of peace; you lead us on

To destination high as heaven's arch.

You are a worthy harbinger of Him

Who is the theme of your discourse to-day—

The Prince of Peace—On the horizon's rim

The Magi saw the star whose glimmering ray

First led truthseekers to the source of light,

Dispelling darkness and the soul's duress;

Now in mid-heaven with ever-increasing might

It shines, the full-orbed sun of righteousness.

Friend of mankind, God speed you on your way,

And bless your effort in behalf of all

That brings us nearer the millennial day

Of righteous laws, alike for great

**HOLIDAY GREETINGS**

**EMMEL & MALONEY**

**THREE MINERS ENTOMBED.**

Food and Drink Sent them Through a Six-Inch Pipe—Hope for Their Recovery.

Mr. Tom L. Fountain, son of Prof. C. P. Fountain, arrived at College Station from Kemberley, Nev., Wednesday. Mr. Fountain has been doing a piece of engineering at Kemberley for the past five months. He tells a thrillingly interesting story about the recent mine disaster which happened to the Jirout Consolidated Mining Co., leaving three of their men imprisoned alive 1,000 feet below the surface and of tons of earth 100 feet further down.

The sides of the shaft caved in on Dec. 4 and Mr. Fountain was with the party who went down into the shaft for a distance of several hundred feet to investigate. The three men left alive were located by tapping on a six-inch pipe that remained unbroken when the mine caved in. A small rope was let down into the pipe, to which was attached a pencil and paper. Four feet away from where the men lay in the darkness the pipe contains an elbow, but the imprisoned miners were clever enough to fashion an apparatus that yanked the rope around the corner. The only valve in the pipe happened, through rare good fortune to be open. When the message reached the surface containing the list of the living and the dead, Mr. Fountain says, the excitement was intense. The immediate friends of the imprisoned men, who were manipulating the rope, were too agitated to unfold the paper, and it was handed to the young Texan for him to read the first message from the place of disaster. A brother of one of the entombed men stood at his elbow and remained unmoved while he heard that his kinsman was safe.

Since the day of the catastrophe, eager men, working in 4-hour shifts, have been cleaning the debris out of the shaft. When Mr. Fountain left they were still five hundred feet away from the chamber of the buried prisoners. Meanwhile cheering messages go down the 6-inch pipe. More than that: The best provisions obtainable, and to guard as much as possible against future disaster, a supply of water and provisions sufficient to last for three weeks is already stored with the men. All of it has gone by the valve, which swings open, around the shoulder of the pipe, down the long 1,000-foot iron pipe, the shutting of which would mean death most horrible. Mr. Fountain says it may be a month before the men are reached. They send up cheerful messages every day, but it is doubtful if their Christmas dinner was altogether a merry one.—Galveston News.

**MARRIED IN NAVASOTA.**

The Navasota Examiner gives an account of the marriage of a popular Bryan young man to a young lady of that city on Christmas day. The groom, Mr. H. W. Moehlman, is a member of the firm of Munday & Moehlman, genial, gentlemanly, industrious and a fine mechanic. The Examiner says:

Married—Wednesday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Bosse, Jr., Rev. F. Lueckhoff of the Evangelical Lutheran church officiating, Henry W. Moehlman and Miss Mildred Bosse.

Only a few chosen friends and relatives of the contracting parties witnessed the ceremony, which was made very beautiful and impressive.

The bride was attired in a traveling suit of brown with hat and gloves to match; the groom, in the conventional black.

The bride had been in the employ of Mistrot Bros. & Co. for the past two years, and endeared herself to a host of friends, who wish for her a long and happy wedded life.

Mr. Moehlman, a man of sturdy and gentlemanly habits, has for the past two years been in business at Bryan, and has made for himself a number of friends, who congratulate him on winning so fair a bride.

The young couple were the recipients of many and beautiful presents that show the very high esteem in which they are held.

Mr. and Mrs. Moehlman left on the evening Central for Yoakum, on a visit to several points in Texas and in Mexico.—Navasota Examiner.

**MARKET QUOTATIONS.**

Cotton.—Bryan, middling, 10½c.; good middling, 10½c.; Galveston, middling, 11½c.; New York, middling, 11.80c.; Liverpool, middling, 6.08d.

Corn.—Bryan, ear corn, 65c.; Galton, mixed, in sacks, 78c.

Cattle.—Bryan, cows, \$1.50 to \$2.00; calves, \$2.50; Fort Worth, steers, \$3.65 to \$3.90; cows, \$2.05 to \$2.60; good heifers, \$2.90; calves, \$3.50.

Hogs.—Bryan, \$4.00; Fort Worth, \$4.37½.

Poultry.—Bryan, hens, \$2.50 to \$3.00; fryers, \$2.25 to \$2.50; turkeys, 7c. Galveston, hens, \$3.75 to \$4.00; fryers, \$2.00 to \$3.00; turkeys 9c to 11c.

Butter.—Bryan, country butter, 15c. Galveston, country butter, 15c to 18c.

Eggs.—Bryan, 20c.

**SOCIAL AND CLUB MATTERS.**

Miss Sadie Cavitt entertained at the home of her parents, Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Cavitt, Friday evening complimentary to her guest, Miss Beulah Cavitt of the Texas Presbyterian College of Milford. The rooms were bright with Christmas decorations, and a merry company was present. Progressive forty-two was the medium of amusement and the favors, also appropriate to the holiday season, went to Miss Mattie Watkins and Mr. J. S. Dean. A salad course was served. Those who participated in the pleasures of the evening are Misses Beulah Cavitt, Virginia Watkins, Mattie Watkins, Lilla Graham McInnis, Malcolm McInnis, Bessie Seale, Fannie Fountain, Clara Newton of Austin, Clara Mawhinney, Ethel Cavitt, Winnie Thomas, Sadie Cavitt; Messrs. Hamner, Marstellar, Weber, Dean, Andrews, Howard Cavitt, Horace Cavitt, Wertebaker, Cruise, Campbell, J. H. Mitchell of Wheelock.

A few couples of the friends of Mr. W. S. Howell, Jr., gave him a surprise party at his home on Thursday evening. The young host was equal to the emergency and after greetings were over, games and other amusements were enjoyed, refreshments served and each guest received a present from an improvised Christmas tree.

Twenty or twenty-five couples of young people formed a merry skating party at the Rink Friday night. They engaged the Bohemian Club band and programs were provided for the occasion. The pleasures of the occasion were prolonged until a late hour.

**ARMY RECRUITING DIFFICULTIES.**

San Antonio, Texas, Dec. 28—“What is the matter with the army?” the discussion that is exciting such lively interest in and out of the army, owing to the depleted condition of most of the regiments and the difficulty of keeping recruiting up to its former rate, has elicited some opinions from General Jesse M. Lee, formerly Commander of the Department of Texas. Gen. Lee concurs with the Secretary of War in the opinion that something must be done to make the life of the private soldier more attractive to the young men of the country. The increased cost of living, attend elsewhere by increased wages, but not by any increased pay in the army, has militated against recruiting. General Lee thinks that Congress will probably take some action in the matter this winter. Like other retired army officers he has drifted back to San Antonio to live, finding it the most pleasant place that he encountered in his long service. There is a large colony of army officers in this city, where delightful climate and congenial society makes life attractive to them.

**METHODIST SERVICES.**

Regular services at the Methodist church Sunday. Sunday school at 9:45 a. m. The Rosebuds and Epworth League at the usual hours. Preaching by the pastor at 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Subject of the sermon at 11, “The Prince of Peace,” a Christmas sermon. At night the subject will be, “The Deceitfulness of Sin.” Everybody cordially invited to worship with us, strangers in the city especially. J. B. Turrentine, Pastor.

**BAPTIST CHURCH SERVICES.**

Sunday services of the Baptist church are announced as follows by the pastor, Dr. Geo. B. Butler: Bible school, 9:45; Public worship, 11 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. with preaching by the pastor. Junior B. Y. P. U. 3 p. m. The public is cordially invited to attend these services. Program of special Christmas music will be found elsewhere in this issue.

**CHRISTIAN CHURCH.**

Services Sunday at the courthouse with preaching by the pastor, Rev. Jas. A. Challenor. Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Preaching 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m. Supt J. J. Ray requests all members of the Sunday school to be present for the election of officers, which takes place Sunday morning.

**FREE BAPTIST CHURCH.**

Services are announced today as follows at the Free Baptist church: Sunday school 9:45 a. m. Preching by the pastor at 11 a. m. and 7:15 p. m: Junior Christian Endeavor 3 p. m. Election of Sunday school officers Sunday morning. Christian Endeavor meets Thursday at 7 p. m. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7 p. m.

Hon. W. J. Bryan will lecture at the opera house Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock. Subject, “The Prince of Peace.” Cash your old tickets at Howell & Newton's and get new ones at Cavitt's Drug Store. 19

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**Holiday Greetings**

**Tyler Haswell**



# SCIENCE AND INVENTION.

## MOTOR CYCLES FOR FEET.

Wheel Skates Which Can Be Used On the Ordinary Roads.

Attempts have been made from time to time to extend the sport of skating to ordinary smooth roads. The reason that roller skates cannot be used on macadam roads is because the rollers are of such small diameter that they drop into every depression and unevenness of the road and check the progress of the skater.

What is necessary, then, is a skate with large wheels. But these, if placed directly under the skater's feet, will raise him dangerously high. However, the difficulty seems to have been solved by a Swiss inventor, Mr. M. Koller, of Winterthur, who has designed the skate shown in the accompanying illustration.

It will be observed, continues the Berlin correspondent of Scientific American, that the skates are each provided with a single wheel which is about a foot in diameter. The skater's foot is supported below the center of the wheel, and in order that the tread may come directly below the center of the skater's foot the wheel is set on a slant. The wheels are dished, comprising a disk of corrugated metal connecting the hub with the rim, and also a series of tension spokes which serve to stiffen them. The foot support is suspended on a hanger attached to the wheel axle, and it is provided with a pair of braces extending upward to support a strap which is fastened around the skater's leg above the ankle. To prevent the wheels from rolling backward a brake is attached to the foot support and bears against the inner periphery of the wheel rim. This brake is normally out of action, but is automatically set as soon as the



A Skater and One of the Skates with Motor Attached.

wheel starts to reverse its direction. If desired, this brake may be thrown out of action completely to permit the skater to perform various fancy figures.

In addition to the brake just described, the wheel for the left foot is provided with a rearwardly-extending arm which the skater may use as a drag to retard his motion. The wheel for the right foot is provided with a similar drag arm which also has in connection with it a brake block that bears against the inner periphery of the wheel when the drag arm bears against the ground, thus furnishing the skater with a quick-acting brake for use in emergencies. The inventor also proposes to use a motor in connection with each skate wheel, which will be attached in the manner indicated in the diagram. The wheel will be driven by belts running from the power shaft of the motor to a pulley groove on the felly of the wheel. Fuel for the motor can be supplied from a tank strapped to the back of the skater. It is claimed that wheel skating can be learned in a very short time, beginners having acquired the knack of using them with safety in a few minutes.

### Roof Ventilators.

One can hardly look out of a window in contemplation of the roofs without seeing a number of metal-hooded ventilators, which have come into general use for the purpose of creating an air current in lofts or air chambers. The only disadvantage connected with their use is that in case of fire they act as a chimney and aid materially in the spread of the flames. In a recent improvement made in these ventilators, the hood is held in an open position by a lever movement controlled by a fusible link. In case of fire this link is melted, and the hood is allowed to fall of its own weight, and in doing so it closes the air passage and cuts off the draft.

### Not Lost in Arctic.

Rumors of disaster seem inevitable in arctic exploration. Recently we referred to the probable loss of W. S. Bruce, who was prospecting for coal fields in eastern Spitzbergen. There was strong presumptive evidence that he and his companions had been lost, but word now comes of their safety.

## THE PARENT OF RADIUM.

Prof. Boltwood of Yale Announces an Important Discovery.

The isolation of a new radioactive chemical element, which appears to be the immediate "parent" of radium, or the substance from which that element is derived, is announced by Prof. Bertram B. Boltwood of Yale in The American Journal of Science. Over a year ago Prof. Boltwood announced that his experiments indicated the separation from uranium of such a substance, and he has now been able to prove that it is identical with none



BERTRAM B. BOLTWOOD

of the radioactive elements hitherto known. He has accordingly given it the name "ionium," because, in common with other radioactive substances, it possesses "ionizing" power, or ability to separate gases into their ultimate constituents. Says Prof. Boltwood:

"Experiments which have been carried out with a view to obtaining a quantitative separation of this new element from small quantities of very pure uraninite have given results which are in good agreement with one another and which indicate that the activity of the new element in equilibrium with radium is about 0.8 of the activity of the radium itself with which it is associated. This is about the value to be expected if the new substance is intermediate between uranium and radium."

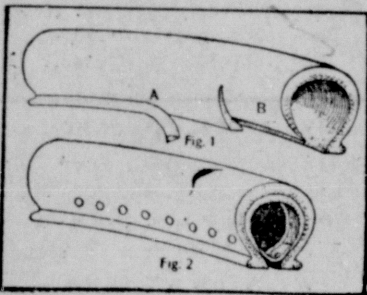
"Strong evidence has, therefore, been obtained of the existence in uraninite minerals of a new radioactive element, which produces no emanation and which resembles thorium in its chemical properties. It is without doubt a disintegration product of uranium and is in all probability the immediate parent of radium."

"Further experiments are in progress which it is hoped will afford additional information as to the properties and chemical behavior of this new body."

### REPAIRING TIRE CASINGS.

How Considerable More Wear Can Be Got Out of Them.

An old tire casing that may not be in a condition to warrant the repairing by a regular repair man can be put in condition to get several hundred miles of service from it, says The Motor



Repairing Tire Casings.

Way. If it is blown out, carefully clean the inside of the cover with gasoline for a about five inches each side of the hole. Then take one of your covers that is in bad condition and cut a section about ten inches long out of the best part of it, cutting the beads, A, figure 1, from it and trimming it with a sharp knife at the edges to a thin edge, as shown at B. Carefully clean the outside with gasoline and when ready apply three coats of solution to the inside of the shoe to be repaired, allowing each coat to dry well, also about two coats on the outside of the repair piece, and apply together as you would a patch on an inner tube.

Rivet the patch to the tire casing by using small copper rivets or split rivets in a single row, about one inch from the bead (figure 2), placing the rivets about one and one-half inches apart. After this is done canvas should be cemented to the inside of the casing, covering the entire patch so as to make a smooth surface for the inner tube.

### Two Warships for Russia.

It is stated that the Russian admiralty has decided on the construction at the Baltic works of two battleships of 25,000 tons, to be completed within two years. They will be armed with ten 12-inch and six eight inch guns.

Snails as Sheep Food. English sheep are sometimes fattened on snails.

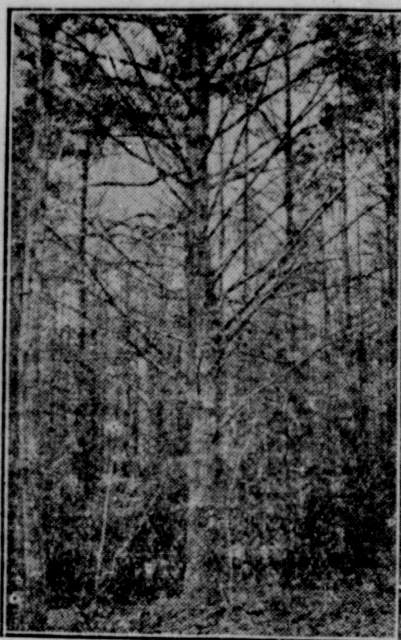
# THE WHITE PINE BUTCHERY



WHITE PINES HELPING AND HINDERING EACH OTHER

The position which the United States has held as a lumber-producing nation has, perhaps, been due more to white pine than to any other wood. The timber of this valuable tree which has played a most important part in the material development of the nation is fast disappearing and now it is as costly as the finest American hardwoods.

Rev. Edward Everett Hale, the chaplain of the senate, who has always taken an interest in forestry, deprecates the passing of white pine as our foremost wood, and tells how in his own lifetime he has seen the day when "the masts of every vessel that sailed the Seven Seas were made from New England grown pine; while to-day very little white pine is cut in New England big enough to furnish a good-sized spar." He tells also, to illustrate the increasing cost of the wood, that he ordered a set of book shelves



Imperfect Natural Pruning on a White Pine That Stood Too Much Alone in Early Youth.

on which the cabinetmaker made a price, and then asked whether they should be made of mahogany or white pine.

The white pine production has shifted from New England to the lake states, and Michigan was the leading lumber-producing state for 20 years, from 1870 to 1890, with a supremacy based on white pine. In these two decades the output was 160,000,000,000 of board feet, valued, at the point of production, at not less than \$2,000,000,000, or nearly half as much as the value derived from all the gold fields of California from their discovery in the late forties until the present.

The rich forests of Michigan were once thought inexhaustible and lumbering continued in a most reckless



Wood of the White Pine.

manner for years. Suddenly the people awoke to the fact that the thoughtless destruction of the trees had thrown 6,000,000 of acres on the delinquent tax list. These white barrens point to the terrible penalty of wasting the forest resources which should have been the heritage of all future generations.

An idea of the increasing scarcity of white pine timber is given by the New York F. O. B. quotations, on a basis of carload lots. "Uppers" of the best grade, cost \$97 to \$114 a thousand board feet and the "selects" or next lower grade cost \$79.50 to \$99.50. Men who are not yet middle-aged remember the time when these grades could be purchased at \$15 to \$25 a thousand

feet. The present quotations on quartered white oak, which are \$75 to \$80, offer another basis of comparison which indicates the condition of the market for white pine.

The best stands of this timber now in this country are in scattered sections in Minnesota, New England and parts of Idaho. The species in Idaho is sometimes called silver pine. Some of the country's best white pine is found on the Indian reservations in Minnesota and Wisconsin and scattered stands in the states of Wyoming, Montana, and one or two other states. At the present rate of cutting the tree will soon be practically a thing of the past. The small stands in the national forests are inconsiderable, but they will be managed with the greatest conservatism by the government through the forest service, and through this method and practice of reforestation it may be hoped that the fine old tree will furnish timber for other generations.

### SANK IN QUICKSANDS TO NECK.

Hunter's Dog Brought Relief When His Master Had Given Up Hope.

John Cronin came preciously near being swallowed by a quicksand in the woods near North Arlington, N. J. Cronin was up to his neck—or down to his neck—in the quicksand when he was saved.

Cronin, who lives on Union avenue, Belleville, went rabbit hunting with Michael Flynn, chief of police of Belleville, the chief's young son, John, and Frank Curren. Cronin's dog chased a rabbit. Cronin ran after the dog and rabbit and so became separated from the rest of the party. Suddenly he walked into the quicksand and, like a shot, sank to his waist.

The more he struggled the deeper he went. The dog, seeing him in difficulty, let the rabbit go and ran around the quicksand's edge, barking and whining. Cronin discharged his shotgun, but his companions thought he was firing at a rabbit. He yelled, but they did not hear him.

His wise dog set off after the others of the party and told them as plainly as he could that Cronin was in trouble. It ran toward them and then away a dozen times, and barked and showed such manifest signs of distress that they followed it.

Cronin was only half-conscious by this time. His friends could not go closer to him than six or seven feet, or they would have been engulfed, too. They finally uprooted several birch saplings and pried him out.

### HE OBJECTED TO FRENCH.

Wanted a Clock That He Could Understand When It Struck.

Howard Wilson, who pitched a couple of seasons for Washington a few years back, is now in the watch and clock business, and whenever any of the ball players want anything in this line they patronize the genial Howard.

Some days ago the versatile Mr. Waddell determined to buy a clock, so that when he retired to his home for the winter he would have a reliable timepiece that would arouse him from his slumbers each morning so that he could be in time for breakfast, which is a meal that Rube thinks a whole lot of.

So going up to the store kept by Wilson in company with Harry Davis and Stocks Seybold, George Edward began looking over the various timepieces that were put out by the accommodating Howard for his inspection.

Rube was hard to suit, and finally Howard said to him:

"Ed, here is an extra fine French clock that I will give to you for half price."

"It's a pretty piece of work, all right, Howard," replied the Rube, as he began scratching his head, "and I wouldn't mind owning it, only, you see," he explained, "it wouldn't be any good to me, as I want a clock that I can understand when it strikes."

### Campaign for Good Roads.

The National Good Roads association was organized by delegates from 38 states in national convention in Chicago, November 21, 1900, and an extensive campaign for good roads all over the union is in progress. The president of the association is W. H. Moore, St. Louis, and the secretary is Arthur E. Jackson, Damariscotta, Me., with vice presidents representing each state and territory.

The value of the world's railways is put at \$27,775,000,000.

# THE FRENCH DUKE

## ENGAGEMENT OF DAUGHTER OF T. P. SHONTS ANNOUNCED.

Nobleman is Finally Victorious After Long Courtship—Father Gives Up Fight and Agrees to the Union.

Washington.—Mr. and Mrs. Theodore P. Shonts announce the engagement of their daughter, Theodora, to Duc de Chaulnes et de Picquigny, of France, the wedding to take place at their New York home in January. The duc recently sailed for France from New York, where he had been since the arrival of Mrs. Shonts and her daughters from Europe several months ago.

The engagement of Miss Shonts and the duc has long been expected and is not a surprise to either society in this country or in Europe.

The persistent courtship of the duc covers a space of over 18 months and has been most fervent. He met Miss Shonts in Paris and fell in love with her shortly after her presentation at the court of King Edward. Her beauty and youth excited admiration in Paris, where she went with her mother after leaving London, and the duc was the first to become her follower.

It was during the trip of the family in Europe that the reports of the engagement of Miss Theodora to the duc first gained circulation. The rumors were denied emphatically by the girl's parents at the time, but again became frequent when the duc visited at the Shonts home in Washington last spring.

Again they were met with denials from Mr. Shonts, but the rumors have cropped out from time to time ever since, the denials being just as frequent.

Washington society fully expected to hear the definite announcement made during the duc's visit here, and its failure to materialize was the cause of much disappointment. The cause of the delay in the young couple's plans, it is thought here, was due to the opposition to the match on the part of Mr. Shonts, who desired that his daughter should become the wife of some young American.

The duc comes from the oldest of French nobility and is possessed of vast estates, though they are said to be embarrassed with debts. The sister of duc de Chaulnes, duchess d'Uzes, is a close friend of Mrs. Shonts and was to have accompanied her brother here upon his visit last winter, but illness prevented. She and duc d'Uzes will come to the wedding in January, as will several other relatives of his family.

Miss Shonts is now in New York, but will come to Washington to attend the reunion at Mrs. Shonts' school, where for several years she was a student. After leaving the school she was taken abroad and was under special teachers for some time. She is a splendid linguist, pretty, and 20 years old. Her maternal grandfather was the late Gov. Drake of Iowa.

### WAITRESS' FACE ON NEW COINS.

Vermont Girl Obtains Fame Through Late Sculptor St. Gaudens.

Washington.—Gold coins now being issued by the United States mints bear the design which was among



Indian Head from New Gold Coin.

the last work of the late Augustus St. Gaudens. The sculptor gave fame to Miss Mary Cunningham, who waited on the table at his residence in Vermont, by having her pose for the Indian head on the face of the coins. He had for some time been seeking for a model, when one day as the girl served him with his food he exclaimed, "There's my model!"

### Law in Fran e.

French law gives the authorities of every village and commune complete control over posters. "No one," writes Consul General Mason, "is permitted in France to deface streets and public places with crude, ostentatious announcements of his business or other subjects. Billboards are infrequent in Paris, and are generally built permanently into a wall, where they are taxed according to their superficial area. When a building is in construction, and board screens are erected to shield the public from dust and other annoyance, such temporary screen will soon be covered with posters of amusements and other business, but each poster so displayed has been previously submitted to the authorities, a license obtained, and each sheet bears the canceled revenue stamp according to its size."

## DUKE'S TITLE AT

Sensational and Mysterious in British Capital.

London.—The duke of Portland, sixth in succession, whose right to his title is attacked in the amazing "Duce mystery" case in England, is the possessor of an imposing list of names and title. He is William John Arthur Charles James Cavendish-Bentinck, Viscount Woodstock, Baron Clarendon, marquis of Titchfield, earl of Portland. He is also lord lieutenant of Carthness, lieutenant of the Coldstream Guards, honorary colonel fourth battalion Sherwood Foresters, master of the horse and family trustee of the British museum and former



PRESENT DUKE OF PORTLAND

Lieutenant colonel of the Honorable Artillery company of London.

The duke was born December 28, 1857, and became duke of Portland December 6, 1879, succeeding his eccentric cousin, who was childless as far as anyone then knew. The duke was married June 11, 1889, to the daughter of Thomas Yorke Dassel-Yorke, Esq., of Walsgate. Queen Victoria stood sponsor in person at the christening of his only child.

The duke is very anxious to retain his title, but it is being remarked in London that he is making no effort to open the grave of "Mr. Druce," which is said to contain 200 pounds of lead instead of a human skeleton. If the late duke and "Mr. Druce" were not one and the same man, then the finding of Druce's body would prove it. But if the lead was found the present duke would almost certainly lose his title.

So far the duke has not seemed willing to go as far as this, but has depended upon the inability of George Druce, known son of the Druce who was a successful merchant in his Baker street bazaar, to prove that his father was the duke of Portland. Thus far Druce has produced many convincing arguments, but he has not had the Druce "grave" opened, either.

The present suit it is hoped will settle the argument. The suit is brought by George Druce against his uncle, charging perjury in that he swore he saw the body of the merchant Druce in its coffin. To prove that the coffin was full of lead would certainly convict the uncle. For him to prove that the coffin did contain a body would settle the duke of Portland row once and for all. For if Druce actually was buried in 1864 he certainly was not the Duke of Portland who died in 1879 at the time the present duke secured the title.

Until the matter is settled one way or the other the entire nobility of England will be kept on the anxious seat. And if the claim of the Druces is proved finally to be baseless it certainly will take rank as the most monumental imposture in history.

### LAID ASIDE AS PRIZE.

For Determining the Velocity of Light.

Nearly 50 years have elapsed since Uriah A. Boyden, a Boston engineer, deposited \$1,000 with the trustees of the Franklin institute to be awarded as a prize for determining by experiment whether all rays of light and other physical rays are transmitted with the same velocity. It was not until this summer that the prize was won. Mr. Boyden doubted the accuracy of the experiments of Baron von Wrede in 1840, tending to show that light and radiant heat travel at different rates of speed, and he hoped to have the matter established by a more careful series of tests. Dr. Paul R. Heyl, of the Central high school of Philadelphia, experimented on the rays of Algol, a variable star in the constellation Perseus, and established to his own satisfaction and to the satisfaction of a committee of expert physicists that the visible and the ultraviolet rays of the spectrum travel with the same degree of speed, and the prize has been awarded to him. His paper on the subject was printed in the Journal of the Franklin institute for August. The accumulation of the fund for nearly 50 years remains, and the judges in the contest have recommended that the sum be set aside as prize for similar successful experiment regarding the speed of the infra-red rays.

### Voice from the Wilds.

Johnnie, on his first visit to his grandparents, who live in the country, communicated with his anxious family as follows: "Dear Ma—I am well and hope you are. Your loving son.—John."

"If you want something good, get a red cabbage and eat it raw."







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PASSENGER TRAIN SCHEDULES.

H. & T. C. Schedule.

No. 3 North Bound..... 1:38 p. m.  
No. 5 North Bound..... 12:46 a. m.  
No. 2 South Bound..... 3:40 p. m.  
No. 6 North Bound..... 2:48 a. m.

I. & G. N. Schedule.

No. 102 North Bound.... 10:50 a. m.  
No. 101 South Bound.... 4:55 p. m.

Mrs. D. D. Dawson is visiting at Wellborn.

Rev. Jas. West went to Somerville yesterday.

Miss Nella Eaves is visiting in Beaumont.

Geo. M. Brandon Jr. visited in Calvert yesterday.

Mrs. J. M. Soles was a visitor from Wellborn yesterday.

Prof. D. J. McDonald of Kurten was in the city yesterday.

Mrs. J. F. Burkhardt of Taylor is visiting relatives in this city.

Henry Runge of Galveston was a visitor to this city yesterday.

Coleman Hardy was out yesterday after several days of illness.

J. Allen Myers has returned from a visit to Corsicana and Ennis.

F. S. Baker of Tabor called on the Eagle while in the city yesterday.

W. C. Wilcox returned yesterday after a visit to relatives in Navasota.

Mrs. C. T. Skains returned to Houston yesterday after a visit to relatives.

J. W. Rhodes returned to Waco yesterday after a visit to relatives in this city.

Mrs. Ira Gooch and children returned to Navasota yesterday afternoon.

Prof. W. L. Powers returned yesterday after a visit at Anson and other points.

Mrs. Louis Dancek returned to Calvert yesterday after a visit to relatives.

Prof. and Mrs. Moore of the Allen Academy returned from Houston yesterday.

Mrs. R. S. Wilson returned to Rockdale yesterday after a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Ed Hall.

Johannie Wilson has returned to Batson after a visit to Mr. and Mrs. R. M. Wilson.

Prof. W. C. Lawson returned yesterday from the teachers' state meeting at Houston.

Miss Gatto returned from Houston yesterday and is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Collier.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Willson and baby have returned to Terrell after a visit to relatives here.

A trick bicycle rider attracted large crowds at two performances on Main street yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Brewer returned to Houston yesterday after a visit to relatives in this city.

W. C. Johnson has returned to Beaumont after a visit to his mother, Mrs. J. W. Johnson and family.

Wanted—Board and room in private family by young man of temperate habits. Postoffice box 334. d-3t

Mrs. Geraldine Kelley returned to Marlin yesterday after a visit to her son, Wiley Kelley and family.

Wanted—Good gentle cow, good milker, to keep for feed and good attention. Apply at Eagle office. 20

J. W. Rankin, advance of the Helen Grantly company, was in the city yesterday and called on the Eagle.

A. E. Dally left yesterday for Waco where he has accepted a position as bookkeeper for the Rotan Grocery Co.

Misses Lee Royder and Grace Campbell of Wellborn left yesterday after a visit to Miss Virginia Edinburg.

Born—To Sergeant and Mrs. H. L. Gentry of the Whatley & Jones plantation, near Madisonville, a daughter—Dec. 24.

Miss Lena Yeager returned yesterday from Millican accompanied by Mrs. S. J. Crawford and Miss Irene Crawford.

Mrs. T. B. Goodman and children returned yesterday after a visit in Beaumont, and were met here by Mr. Goodman.

Robt. Armstrong returned yesterday from Wheelock. Mrs. Armstrong and little son remained for a longer visit to relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Moseley, Miss Lollar and Miss Ryan returned to Madisonville yesterday after a visit in this city.

Lierman and Royal Wiley returned to Corsicana yesterday after a visit to Mr. J. W. Wiley, who accompanied them to this city.

Mrs. T. B. Collins left yesterday to visit in Palestine. She was accompanied by her daughter, Miss Erma Collins, to Franklin.

Mrs. M. A. Benbow, Mrs. Bessie Lawrence, Mrs. W. P. Rhodes and daughter, Miss Bessie, returned yesterday after a visit in Navasota.

Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Preston returned to Houston yesterday after a visit to Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Preston of this city. The gentlemen are brothers.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver McGee left yesterday for Mara on the Fort Worth division of the I. & G. N., where

Mr. McGee has accepted a position with the road.

Mr. L. Fellman, the well known Galveston merchant, spent yesterday in this city, the guest of Col. M. W. Sims.

Roy and Roger Killough of Wheelock were in the city yesterday.

Mr. Tom Fountain, who has been visiting his parents, Prof. and Mrs. C. P. Fountain, at College Station, for several days, leaves to-night for his home in New York City, accompanied by his sister Miss Emmie Fountain.

B. Seigle left yesterday for Caldwell, where he will spend some time with his brother, L. Seigle, formerly of this city. Mrs. Seigle and children left last night for St. Louis. Mr. Seigle has been in bad health for some time, but friends will be glad to learn he is improving.

Rev. J. J. Tatum reports that he has a young horse that was shot in the shoulder by some person celebrating Christmas with the aid of what seems to be about a 38-calibre gun. The animal is probably permanently injured. It was standing under a shed in his lot when the accident happened.

WILLIAMS-LESTER.

Mr. Roger Q. Williams and Kate Lester were married in this city yesterday morning by Justice L. D. McGee. The groom is a son of Mrs. Emma Williams of Millican and the bride a sister of Dr. Sidney M. Lester of Houston. The groom was reared in Millican and is a brother of Mr. S. C. Williams of this city and Mr. Knox Williams of Millican and was reared at the latter place. Both the young people are well known and popular, and have the best wishes of many friends. The groom is a traveling salesman for the Reynolds Tobacco Co., and will, we learn with pleasure, locate in this city after Jan. 1. The young couple were entertained at dinner yesterday by Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Williams and left in the afternoon for Millican.

Those who hold tickets for the Bryan lecture on last Tuesday night should cash them at Howell & Newton's and purchase new tickets at Cavitt's Drug Store. Lecture Sunday afternoon at four o'clock.

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## Entered at the Post Office.

Tex., Dec. 28.—Happy that her mother, whom she had sacrificed for, even the last scrap of food, she had at last found friends, Mrs. Phyllis Presco, died at a Brooklyn hospital of starvation. Mrs. Presco's husband had been dead for several months, and with her four little ones, the eldest four years, and the youngest four months old, to take care of, she labored day and night until she was taken ill. Her pride prevented her from asking aid, so she saved what bits of food she could obtain for her children, while she gradually grew weaker and weaker from lack of food. The last bits of crusts went for the children's Christmas dinner and next morning neighbors heard the little crying in the unfurnished room where the mother and children lived. They entered and found Mrs. Presco dying and the children weak from lack of food and from cold. The police removed the mother to the hospital and the children's society took care of the little ones.

## TURNED THE TABLES.

## Italians Held Up Retaliated in a Shocking Manner.

Snohomish, Wash., Dec. 28.—Two men named Miller and Carroll entered a section house occupied by seven Italians and ordered them to hold up their hands. The holdups then began shooting. The Italians retaliated by attacking the outlaws with tools. After killing Miller with a crow-bar, driven through his head, an ax was hacked into his body and one eye gouged out. Carroll, the other man, was also injured, but survived until officers from the city arrived. When all were taken to prison. Three Italians were wounded.

## LOCOMOTIVE TURNS OVER.

## Engineer Receives Injuries Resulting in Death and Fireman Hurt.

Lovelady, Tex., Dec. 28.—Near this place on the Texas railroad a passenger train was wrecked by a split switch. The engine turned over. The baggage and mail cars were derailed. Engineer Sam Brandt, one of the most popular and best known railroad men in the employ of the Texas railroad, received injuries which resulted in his death. Both legs and one arm were cut off, and he was otherwise injured. Fireman Green was also hurt, though his injuries are not considered fatal.

## PARDON BOARD BUSY.

## About Four Hundred Applicants Have Come Before It.

Austin, Dec. 28.—During the past year the state pardon board has passed on about 400 applications for pardons. Its work is completed up to date. Information has reached here that the commissioners' court of Caldwell county has issued a notice to the taxpayers of that county that if taxable values are double next year the present rate they will be cut in two, and ask the co-operation of the people in determining property values when making rendition.

## DOCTOR DROPS DEAD.

## Prominent Physician Quickly Expires While in His Yard.

Dallas, Dec. 28.—While standing in his yard Dr. J. R. Briggs, who has for a number of years conducted a sanitarium in the Oak Cliff section of the city, dropped dead. Heart failure was the cause. The doctor was a large man and apparently in robust health when death took him.

## No Negotiations.

Houston, Dec. 28.—President Green of the Trinity and Brazos Valley railroad positively denies any present negotiations to remove headquarters of the road here. No dicker for a building is in progress. He says, however, Houston is the logical place for headquarters, and eventually—perhaps in five years hence—the road may move from other quarters. The affirmation is made that removal is certain in the no distant future.

## Kleptomaniac Accused.

Waxahachie, Tex., Dec. 28.—Something of a sensation was created when the fact was developed that at a social function several articles of jewelry, furs and other things disappeared. Among them were two costly necklaces. It is believed to have been the work of a kleptomaniac.

## Body Found in Office.

Lincoln, Neb., Dec. 28.—Thomas Worrell, prominent in politics and the man who exposed the alleged trust, committed suicide by taking poison. His body was found in his office. He left a letter addressed to Chairman Allen of the Democratic state central committee.

## Tender Left Track.

Palestine, Tex., Dec. 28.—Mail train No. 7 on the Texas railroad met with a mishap twelve miles north of Palestine. The tender of the engine left the track. The latter was torn up some distance. Nobody was hurt.

## Reports Last Case.

Washington, Dec. 28.—John Chandler Hancock Davis, twenty-five years a reporter for the United States supreme court and a former minister to Germany, is dead.

## Penknife Operation Successful.

Springfield, O., Dec. 28.—The little daughter of John Hudson was saved from choking to death from diphtheria by her windpipe being slit with a penknife.

The worst of hell. Children's illness. Com. isation was this.

Some of Governor Sparky of the Texas may have enjoyed the father of the state. He was arrested for the theft of but none of them \$4.

He didn't make enough to take care of my family," said Healey, as he was being led away to jail. "I took it for them."

When the inspector reached Healey's house there was no coal in the stove and the place was damp and chilly. There was so little food that if the ten children had all asked for some there would not have been enough to go around. Their clothing was old and worn. Postmaster Campbell ordered the bureau of charities notified. Healey was unable to furnish bond and was lodged in the county jail.

Healey has been receiving \$1,100 a year. He is forty-eight years old.

## "CONVERTS" CALLED.

## Two Hundred Men Stormed a Store to Secure Promised Suits.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Amos Stewart's clothing store, says a Record-Herald dispatch from Garrett, Ind., was stormed by 200 men who claimed suits of clothes as recompense for accepting the Baptist faith. Mr. Stewart is a loyal Baptist and recently announced that he would present a suit to each man who came into the church. Rev. Dan Shannon, a Baptist revivalist, has been holding meetings here during the last three weeks and has increased the number of his converts at a surprising rate. Apparently every citizen in the place who needed a suit of clothes was coming to the front on the evangelist's call. Shannon and Stewart will decide who of the converts are actually converted. These will be given new wardrobes.

## WALKER'S EXTRADITION.

## Reasons Supporting Request Are Forwarded to Washington.

Hartford, Conn., Dec. 28.—New documents bearing upon the evidence against W. F. Walker, former treasurer of the Savings Bank of New Britain, and in support of the application for extradition from Mexico were sent to Washington. The evidence goes into the details of Walker's alleged abstraction of \$565,000 in securities and cash from the bank, \$65,000 from the Connecticut Baptist convention and acts of forgery on papers given by Walker to various individuals.

Governor Woodruff sent a letter under the seal of the state to the effect that Walker was not to be extradited for the purpose of having civil process brought against him, but for the purpose of punishing him for crimes he committed.

Documentary evidence has been prepared in accordance with the request of the state department to furnish additional evidence of Walker's alleged misdeeds.

## Must Serve Sentence.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—Judge Landis in the United States district court denied the application of George S. McReynolds, formerly a grain broker of this city, for a writ of habeas corpus. McReynolds was recently sentenced to the penitentiary on the charge of having sold grain covered by warehouse receipts. He will now be compelled to serve his sentence.

## To Sell None in Iowa.

Chicago, Dec. 28.—As a result of the anti-liquor crusade now going on in Iowa, says a dispatch to the Tribune from Des Moines, the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroad has issued orders to dining car conductors prohibiting the sale of liquor while its trains are in Iowa. The order went into effect yesterday. It is understood the other roads will take similar action.

## Dozen Petitions Filed.

Houlton, Me., Dec. 28.—The failure of potato crop in Aroostook county is responsible for the filing of twelve petitions in bankruptcy in the United States district court in Maine during the past week by farmers and others interested in the potato crop county. It has been estimated the loss represents about \$300,000 in money.

## Full Time to Continue.

Toronto, Dec. 28.—Representatives of Canadian cotton interests say the mills contemplate no such action as that of the New England mills, which are curtailing their output 25 per cent. Canadian mills will, it is stated, continue to run full time all winter.

## Taft Endorsed.

Topeka, Dec. 28.—Kansas state Republican central committee, after a stormy session, endorsed Taft for presidential nominee. Convention meets March 4. By 16 to 13 resolutions to have primaries to nominate state officers were tabled.

## Beetle Causes Boy's Death.

Atlantic City, N. J., Dec. 28.—After suffering for months from Bradstock, a boy, died. After death a beetle was found in an ear.

## Husband Kills Wife.

Stockton, Cal., Dec. 28.—J. S. Moore, a leading citizen, shot and killed his wife. He claims self-defense.

## Bankhead Better.

Jasper, Ala., Dec. 28.—Before going to Washington Senator Bankhead will make a fishing trip to Florida.

## Shoots Himself to Death.

Toledo, O., Dec. 28.—J. Frank Zahm, a tobacco merchant, shot himself to death with a revolver.

## Report Is Governor May Convene Legislature.

Dallas, Dec. 28.—It is stated here that Governor Campbell will immediately upon his return to Austin either issue a call for a special session of the legislature for a like purpose or would issue some kind of a statement regarding the matter.

It is known that Mr. Bryan recently wrote Governor Campbell upon that subject, being under the belief that the legislature of this state was soon to meet. It naturally follows that Governor Campbell has given it more than passing notice, but that he has gone so far as to conclude that the legislature should immediately act upon the matter he has seemingly authorized no one to say.

## PROBABLY POISONED.

## Mr. and Mrs. McWilliams Taken Suddenly Sick and Arrested Made.

Greenville, Dec. 28.—Mr. and Mrs. M. J. McWilliams, residing five miles northwest of Celeste, were taken suddenly ill apparently from the effects of poison. A physician was called in just in time to save Mrs. McWilliams' life. Mr. McWilliams was not made quite so sick. Tom McWilliams was arrested and was given a preliminary examination before Justice of the Peace Pole at Celeste, who placed his bond at \$1,000, which was executed.

## LUMBER BURNS.

## Courthouse at Waco and Other Buildings Were in Danger.

Waco, Dec. 28.—The lumber yards between Washington and Columbus streets, near the courthouse, the property of the Owens Lumber company, partly burned, the loss being about \$40,000, with \$22,000 insurance. By great exertion on the part of the fire department the courthouse and adjacent costly dwellings were saved. Part of the sheds were saved and about a third of the lumber.

## ASSASSINATED AT DOOR.

## Body of Mulatto Terribly Mutilated by Close Range Shots.

Temple, Tex., Dec. 28.—While standing at the door of her cabin Christina Johnson, a mulatto woman, was shot to death at short range. Both barrels of a shotgun were fired. Her right arm was torn to shreds and breast and abdomen terribly torn. She was called to the door. A warrant was issued for a negro.

## KINSA BELT DEAD.

## One of the Captors of President of Confederate States.

Thornville, O., Dec. 28.—Kinsa Belt, one of the captors of Hon. Jefferson Davis, the president of the Confederate States, died at Thornville, in Fairfield county, aged sixty-two. He was a member of the Twelfth Ohio Volunteer cavalry, and acted as a dispatch bearer.

## Accidental Killing.

Tulsa, Okla., Dec. 28.—Charles M. Dow, Jr., son of Charles M. Dow of Jamestown, N. Y., bank president and one of the most prominent oil producers in the United States, was killed by the accidental discharge of his gun. The accident occurred on a lease of the Shawnee Oil company north of the city. Dow was twenty-eight years of age.

## Fatal Throat Cutting.

Galveston, Dec. 28.—Mrs. Mary Ann Hoffman, fifty-one years of age, one of the old and respected citizens of Galveston, widow of the late William Hoffman, cut her throat from ear to ear at her home, 1314 Church street. She died at St. Mary's infirmary.

## Drug Store Burns.

Muskogee, Dec. 28.—The three-story building of the Whitlow Williams Wholesale Drug company, with its \$100,000 stock, burned. The firemen were unable to check the flames. It was the only wholesale drug house in the eastern part of the state.

## BREVITIES BUNCHED.

Diet of Japan is in session.

"Uncle" Ben Gooden, claiming to be 110 years old, died at Dallas.

W. H. Perkins, a farmer, was killed near Smithville, Tex., by a train.

At a dance near Willis, Tex., Jesse Johnson, a negro, was shot to death.

While conversing with friends at San Antonio F. F. Schneider fell dead.

Miss Maryland Hodgkinson died at Fort Worth from carbolic acid poisoning.

At Fort Worth J. J. Stagner blew off the top of his head with a shotgun.

The little daughter of M. Kehl of near Carney, Okla., was burned to death.

Ten miles from Grand Saline, Tex., the little girl of Ben Bruner burned to death.

Three business houses at Vivian, La., were destroyed by fire, entailing \$15,000 loss.

Birdie Shockley, a young woman, died at Paris, Tex., from effects of carbolic acid.

Reginald Mitchell, a boy, accidentally shot and killed himself while hunting near Shreveport.

George W. Fleming, a resident of Dallas county since 1854, died at Dallas, aged eighty years.

Senator Gore of Oklahoma, accompanied by his wife, have gone on a visit to his old home, Oxford, Miss.

In a pistol fight with four other men Frank Ince, son of a wealthy Indian, was killed fourteen miles from Muskogee.

## Miscreant Who Killed an Officer Slain by Posse.

Midville, Ga., Dec. 28.—John Major, the negro who recently shot and killed J. W. Brinson, two marshal at this place, was shot to death by a posse. Major was found in a house about three miles from Midville, and a party of white citizens sat out to capture the negro. During the attempt a shot fired from the house by Major struck present Town Marshal Williams, inflicting a slight wound in the hand. The house in which Major had taken refuge was set on fire in order to drive him out.

After coming out and firing both barrels of his gun without effect the negro was immediately shot down and killed.

Hearing that Major had been located, a party of armed men came from Maillon to aid in his capture. After the affair was over nearly every man carried a rifle or shotgun. Practically not a negro was to be seen.

## COLLIDE IN FOG.

## Cars Are Badly Smashed and Three Persons Lose Their Lives.

Camden, N. J., Dec. 28.—Three persons were killed and more than a dozen others injured in a rear-end collision on the elevated tracks of the Pennsylvania railway a short distance from this city. The cars were badly smashed. The trains were an express from Atlantic City and Pemberton accommodation. There was a thick fog at the time.

The trains came together with considerable force. The tender of the Pemberton train telescoped the first car of its train, killed three persons and injuring several. The rear car of the Atlantic City express was wrecked. The wreckage immediately took fire from hot coals of the locomotive and police and fire departments of Camden were called into service. The fact that the collision occurred on an elevated structure made the work of rescue difficult. All available help from the station and men in railroad yards and shops, were pressed into service and the injured quickly taken from under the mass of wreckage and conveyed to the Cooper and West Jersey hospitals. The fire was extinguished before it reached any victims pinned under the wreckage. The dead are: C. H. Brown, Morristown, N. J.; J. L. Garbetti, Mount Holly, N. J.; T. L. Webster, Merchantsville, N. J.

## FIVE FATALITIES.

## Passenger and Freight Trains Come Together in Michigan.

Detroit, Dec. 28.—Speeding through a dense fog at forty miles an hour, Grand Trunk passenger No. 5 collided headon with a double-header freight train half a mile north of Lenox, Mich. Five trainmen met death, four being killed instantly, the fifth dying three hours later. All of the passengers escaped injury except a baby, who was slightly hurt by being thrown out of its mother's arms and over a seat.

The dead: Engineer Bennett of the passenger train, Engineer Boweski of the first freight engine, Fireman Bounger, Fireman Albert Mircall, Switchman W. J. Taylor.

The passenger locomotive plowed under the engines of the double-header and the trainmen were buried in the wreckage. The freight train had switched from the main track to a siding to allow the passenger to pass. It is unofficially charged that the switch was not properly closed, and owing to the heavy fog which prevailed the passenger crew could not see that the target was set against them.

All the dead lived here.

## PISTOL BATTLE.

## Robbers Shot Five Times and City Marshal Twice Wounded.

Smithboro, Ill., Dec. 28.—In a pistol battle, following a robbery at the Vandalla passenger depot, one of the robbers was shot five times and Emory Brown, city marshal of Sorento, Ill., wounded twice. Both men are in a serious condition. A companion of the wounded robber was arrested and locked up at Greenville, Ill., four miles away, where his comrad was also locked up after being given medical treatment.

## Brother Kills Brother.

Fayetteville, Ga., Dec. 28.—Joe Baadles shot and killed his brother, Nat Baadles, at the home of their mother. Joe had returned home to spend the holidays, and began drinking. He ran his mother from the house, and she informed his brother, who attempted to quiet him. He resented the advice of his brother, and the shooting followed.

## Ticket Office Burglarized.

Late Charles, La., Dec. 28.—While the night ticket agent was temporarily absent from the office some one climbed through a window into the Southern Pacific depot ticket office and abstracted \$70 from the cash drawer.

## Cholera Raging.

Constantinople, Dec. 28.—Cholera is ravaging the pilgrims in Mecca. The deaths at Mecca Medina and Yembo are averaging 100 a day.

## Securities Found.

San Francisco, Dec. 28.—The missing Colton securities were found in the vaults of the California Safe and Deposit Trust company.

## Sewell Sold.

Oakland, Cal., Dec. 28.—C. E. Durwell's star performer, Sewell, was sold at auction for \$6,100 to George Miller.

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Baby Deserted. Denison, Dec. 27.—A male child, aged about one year, well dressed, was deserted at the union depot. The police have taken charge of the child. Telegrams were sent out to apprehend the mother, supposed to have gone north. She is said to have been accompanied by a man.

Crushed Between Cars. Buffalo, Dec. 27.—Borso Borasco was crushed to death here between cars.

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